# Rain and snow are the calm before the flood

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PROVO — The hot and cold, hot and cold weather is helping flood control efforts in Utah County, but officials say they wish the snow and rain that comes with the cold would stay away.

So far, county flood control workers haven't had any problems, but they know that, someday, all the snow in the mountains will have to melt.

"So far, everything is going fine," said Clyde Naylor, Utah County engineer and head of flood control efforts, "Sooner or later, though, it will all come down."

Naylor said he has had some crews out removing trees and other debris from rivers in the county, but nothing major has happened.

"Our crews are still on standby, and will be until flood season is over, but things are fine right now," Naylor said.

He said most of the flood control projects are finished in the county. Work on the American Fork Debris Basis is still under way and the Army Corps of Engineers is completing an \$800,000 diking project in the Lake Shore area in the south part of the county.

"We started pumping behind the dikes today," Naylor said. "We are sure the dikes will be finished in time to meet the rising water of Utah Lake."

Naylor said he will be anxious to see snow measurements from this past weekend's storm. He said cold weather helps slow down fast runoff, but when it brings more moisture, it doesn't help much.

"I hate to say this is the quiet before the storm, but it very well may be," he said. "We are just handling things on a day-to-day basis."

He said the county is checking potential slide areas once or twice a week, but so far, nothing major has been discovered.

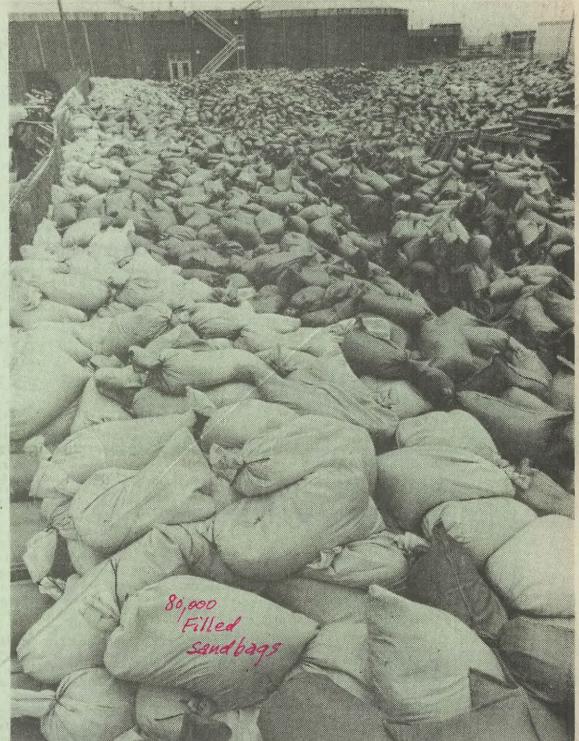
Leland Gamette, Mayor Jim Ferguson's administrative assistant, said Provo flood-control projects also are about finished.

"The corps will finish work on the dikes around the lake and Provo River this week, and we expect the Slate Canyon Debris Basin to be finished this week also."

The corps has been raising dikes along the river and lake. Last year the corps built the dikes and, because the water continued to rise, the corps was called in again to raise those dikes.

Gamette said the city now has 80,000 filled sandbags on hand and won't fill anymore until they are needed.

"The only problem we are having right now is with high winds on the lake that are pushing waves into the dikes," Gamette said. "Outside of that



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#### John L. Harris

PROVO — John Lewis "Lew" Harris, 49, died April 30, 1984, in Provo. He was born Oct. 20, 1934, in Kemmerer, Wyo., to Percy G. and Marie Hilles. He married ReNee Carter, June 4, 1053, in Provo.

He received his education in the Provo schools and graduated from Provo High School. He worked for Chase's Ice Cream Company for 20 years. He owned and operated his own business in the Utah Valley area, "Lew's Distributing Company," for the last 12 years. He was a member of the Timp Archery Club and held the Utah State Instinctive outdoor-shooting record and many indoor shooting records. He was active in bowling leagues; he enjoyed sports and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

He is survived by his wife of Provo; two sons and two daughters; William J. (Bill) Harris and Jerry C. Harris, both of Provo; Mrs. Ned (Bonnie Kay) Shepherd, and LuAnn Wood, both of Springville; four grandchildren; mother, Marie Harris Farrer, Provo; two brothers and one sister; Ray P. Harris, Charles M. Harris and Mrs. Phill (Ruth) Addis, all of Provo.

Graveside services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Provo City Cemetery. Friends may call at the Berg Mortuary, 185 E. Center, Wednesday, 6-8 p.m., or Thursday, 9:45-10:45 a.m.

### Levinah Greenhalgh

SANTAQUIN — Levinah Holman Greenhalgh, 99, died April 29, 1984. She was born Sept. 28, 1884, in Santaquin, to John Clark and Mary Ann Openshaw Holman. She married Jedediah Greenhalgh, Aug. 2, 1905, in the Salt Lake Endowment House. He died June 10, 1970.

She was a Santaquin resident until 1972, when she moved to Jerome, Idaho. She was a housewife. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served in the Relief Society and was a visiting teacher.

She is survived by one son and two daughters, Lentz L. Greenhalgh, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Allen (Doral) Kump and Florine Greenhalgh, both of Jerome, Idaho; seven grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Holladay Hills Funeral Home, 66 S. Third East, Santaquin, with Bishop Howard M. Fuller officiating. Friends may call one hour before services. Burial will be in Santaquin City Cemetery.

OLSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Dannie, Provo, boy.

SHIRAKI, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher, Provo, girl.

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SMITH, Mr. and Mrs. John, Provo.

WANGENANN, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Provo, girl

WILSON, Mr. and Mrs. Michael. Spanish Fork, girl.

**Orem Community Hospital** 

JANIS, Mr. and Mrs. Roark, Provo, boy.

#### Mountain View Hospital

BATTY, Mr. and Mrs. Roy, Spanish Fork, boy.

BROWN, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne, Redmond, girl.

CROWLEY, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby, Santaquin, boy.

DANIELS, Mr. and Mrs. Tom, Salem, boy.

DAVENPORT, Mr. and Mrs. Dale, Genola, boy.

DONEY, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin, Salem, boy.

FORD, Mr. and Mrs. Larry, Payson, girl.

FROST, Mr. and Mrs. Eric, Provo. boy.

HALL, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ross, Springville, boy.

JENSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin. Payson, boy.

JONES, Mr. and Mrs. Russel, Nephi, girl.

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver. Mona, boy.

MORRELL, Mr. and Mrs. Richard, Payson, girl.

OTTESEN, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew, Salem, girl.

## **Springville**

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Saying he would hear from the attorney later, Haymond asked that affected Springville property owners be allowed to speak first.

Most property owners approved of the city's plan to drop its power of eminent domain.

"As long as you take eminent domain out, I would be in favor of the Redevelopment Plan." said property owner Madge Haymond.

Another resident, Don Korth, said he signed a petition opposing the plan, but "after listening tonight, I feel better about it. I was against the eminent domain clause. Now that it has been removed, I want to withdraw my name from the petition."

Not all residents, however, were opposed to the plan.

David Cook, one of the owners of Utah Service and

lieves there are better ways to achieve it. "I am totally opposed to the Redevelopment Agency in any form."

When finally allowed to speak, Long said told the council that more than 40 percent of the property owners in the district, and possibly as much as two-thirds of the entire city, had signed the petition opposing the redevelopment plan.

"The redevelopment plan says if this many sign, the Redevelopment Agency has to be dropped and not considered again in that area for at least three years."

"My clients felt this redevelopment plan was going to be slipped under their feet. They did not receive notice of the public hearing in the proper amount of time, which is 30 days before the hearing, and some did not receive notice at all."

Another concern of residents was the idea that their

Provo has 80,000 filled sandbags on hand and won't fill more until they are needed.

"We all know the water has to come down sooner or later," Gamette said. "I think we would all prefer to have warmer days and colder nights than what we are having now."

Gamette said flood prevention brochures were mailed out to city residents last week, and several neighborhood meetings are being scheduled throughout the city to talk about flooding.